**<INSERT NAME OF GOVERNMENT ENTITY>**

**Office of the <INSERT LEADERSHIP POSITITON TITLE>**

**Support of National Cybersecurity Awareness Month 2019**

**WHEREAS,** the <INSERT NAME OF GOVERNMENT ENTITY> recognizes that it has a vital role in identifying, protecting its citizens from, and responding to cybersecurity threats that may have significant impact to our individual and collective safety and privacy; and

**WHEREAS,** critical infrastructure sectors are increasingly reliant on information systems and technology to support financial services, energy, telecommunications, transportation, utilities, health care, and emergency response systems; and

**WHEREAS,** cybersecurity education and awareness is crucial for everyone, including large corporations, small businesses, financial institutions, schools, government agencies, the home user, and anyone who connects to the internet; and

**WHEREAS,** monitoring your accounts, being conscientious of what you share online, keeping computer software up to date, creating unique passwords and changing them regularly, installing anti-virus programs and firewalls, and using mobile devices safely are ways you can protect yourself from phishing, viruses, malware, and loss of sensitive data; and

**WHEREAS,** I <INSERT NAME AND LEADERSHIP POSITITON TITLE> am dedicated to providing every individual and business entity in <INSERT NAME OF JURISDICTION> the resources necessary to ensure the understanding, implementation, and success of National Cybersecurity Awareness Month to help the citizens of <INSERT NAME OF JURISDICTION> stay safe online and connect with confidence; and

**WHEREAS,** the STOP. THINK. CONNECT.™ Campaign serves as the national cybersecurity public awareness campaign, implemented through a coalition of private companies, nonprofit, government organizations, and academic institutions working together to increase the public’s understanding of cyber threats and empowering Americans to be safer and more secure online; and

**WHEREAS,** the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) Cybersecurity Workforce Framework has been developed as a free resource to help organizations (both large and small, public and private) improve their cybersecurity practices through a practical approach to addressing the ever evolving cybersecurity threats and challenges; and

**WHEREAS,** maintaining the security of cyberspace is a shared responsibility in which each of us has a critical role to play, and awareness of computer security essentials will improve the security of <INSERT NAME OF GOVERNMENT ENTITY>’s information, infrastructure, and economy; and

**WHEREAS,** the <INSERT NAME OF GOVERNMENT ENTITY CYBERSECURITY CENTER OR PROGRAM> was established in <INSERT MONTH AND YEAR> to enhance and protect the <INSERT NAME OF GOVERNMENT ENTITY>’s cybersecurity ecosystem; and

**WHEREAS,** the Federal Government of the United States of America, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security’s Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency ([www.dhs.gov/](http://www.dhs.gov/)CISA), the Multi-State Information Sharing and Analysis Center (<http://msisac.cisecurity.org>), the National Association of State Chief Information Officers ([www.nascio.org](http://www.nascio.org)), and the National Cyber Security Alliance ([www.staysafeonline.org](http://www.staysafeonline.org)) all recognize October as National Cybersecurity Awareness Month; and all citizens are encouraged to visit these websites, along with <INSERT THE NAME OF THE GOVERNMENT ENTITY CYBERSECURITY AGENCY URL> and the STOP. THINK. CONNECT.™ Campaign website ([www.dhs.gov/stopthtinkconnect](http://www.dhs.gov/stopthtinkconnect) or [www.stopthinkconnect.org](http://www.stopthinkconnect.org)) to learn about cybersecurity to put that knowledge into practice in their homes, schools, workplaces, and businesses;

**Now, therefore,** I, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, <INSERT LEADERSHIP POSITION> of the <INSERT GOVERNMENT ENTITY>, do hereby proclaim that the <INSERT GOVERNMENT ENTITY> is officially supporting National Cybersecurity Awareness Month 2019.